Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

April, 2010 Montana

Caseload

- 6,415 children were served this month in this program
- 3,884 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 7.8% of the families entered the program during this period
- · Yellowstone County accounted for 22.9% of all families served

Children

- 84.6% of children were served in licensed care
- 11.3% of children were cared for by relatives
- · Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 121 hours per month
- · School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 25.9% of all children served
- · White children accounted for 78.8% of all children served

Families

- 76.1% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 2.8% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 85.3% of families were headed by a single parent
- 17.2% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$414 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 5.9% of the cost and the program paid 94.1%
- Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$453
- · Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$273
- 82.9% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Gallatin County at \$529 per child
- Garfield County ranks first in relative care statewide with 100.0% of all children cared for by relatives.